



HARFORD ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Hamilton Business District



January 31, 2019

AGENDA

I. PRESENTATION (30 minutes)

- Project overview
- Budget and schedule constraints
- Project goals
- Existing conditions

II. QUESTIONS / YOUR IDEAS (45 minutes)

- From your experience, what needs to be improved and where?

PROJECT OVERVIEW

State money specifically allocated for a Road Diet and Complete Streets improvements on Harford Road provide an opportunity to design and build street improvements that enhance the Hamilton Business District

ROAD DIET AND COMPLETE STREETS IMPROVEMENTS

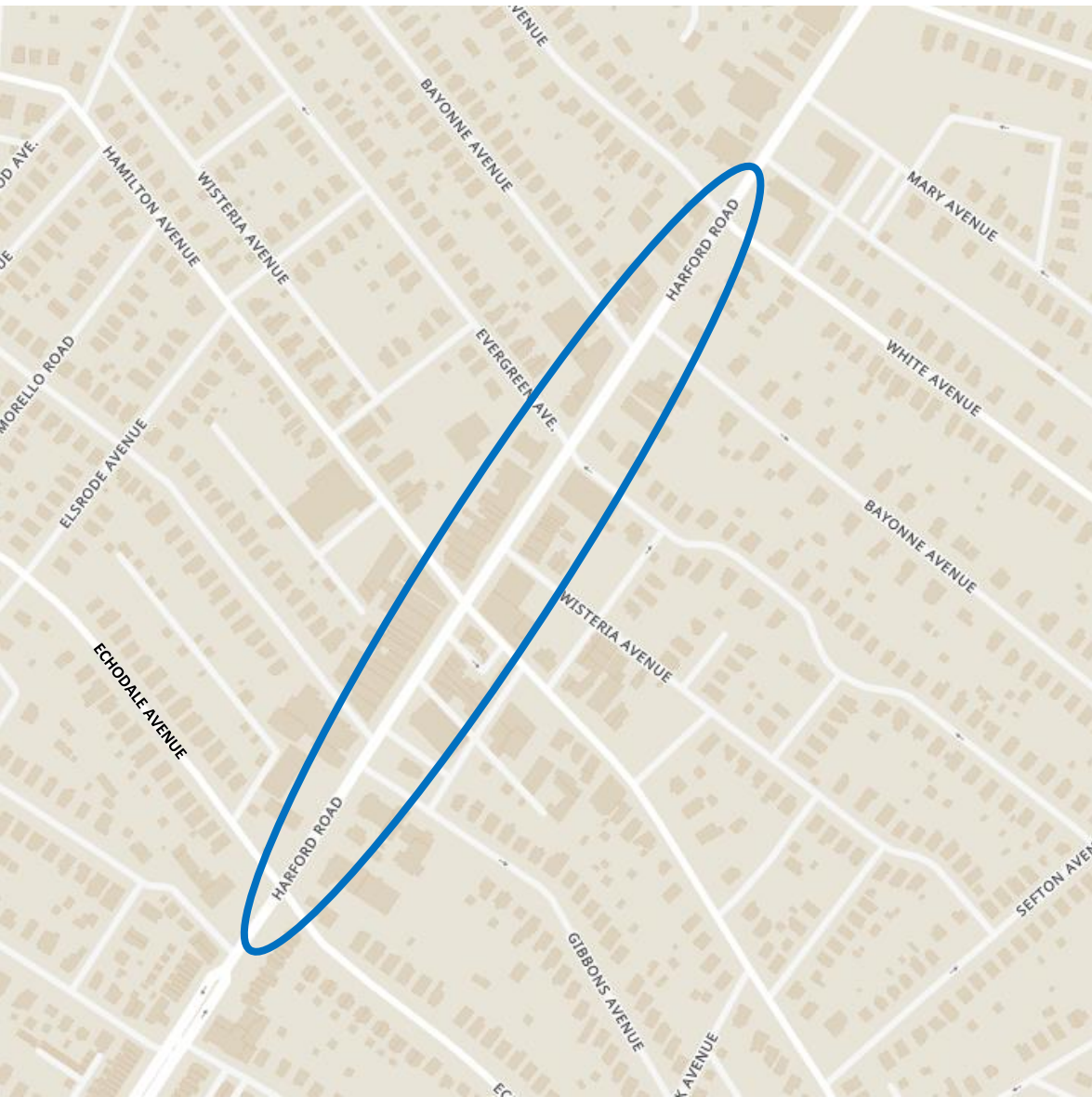
Road Diet

- **Reduction in the number of travel lanes**
- **4 Lanes to 3 lanes or 2 lanes**

Complete Streets Improvements

- **Bicycle lanes**
- **Improved pedestrian crossings**
- **Improved transit operations**

PROJECT LIMITS



From Echodale Avenue on the south to White Avenue on the north – about four tenths of a mile

BUDGET AND SCHEDULE CONSTRAINTS

The grant comes with specific constraints that the project needs to comply with.

- **Budget:** \$320,000 is available for construction.
- **Schedule:** All work – design and construction – must be completed by the end of June.

Great ideas that don't fit these budget and schedule constraints can always be considered for a future project.

PROJECT GOALS

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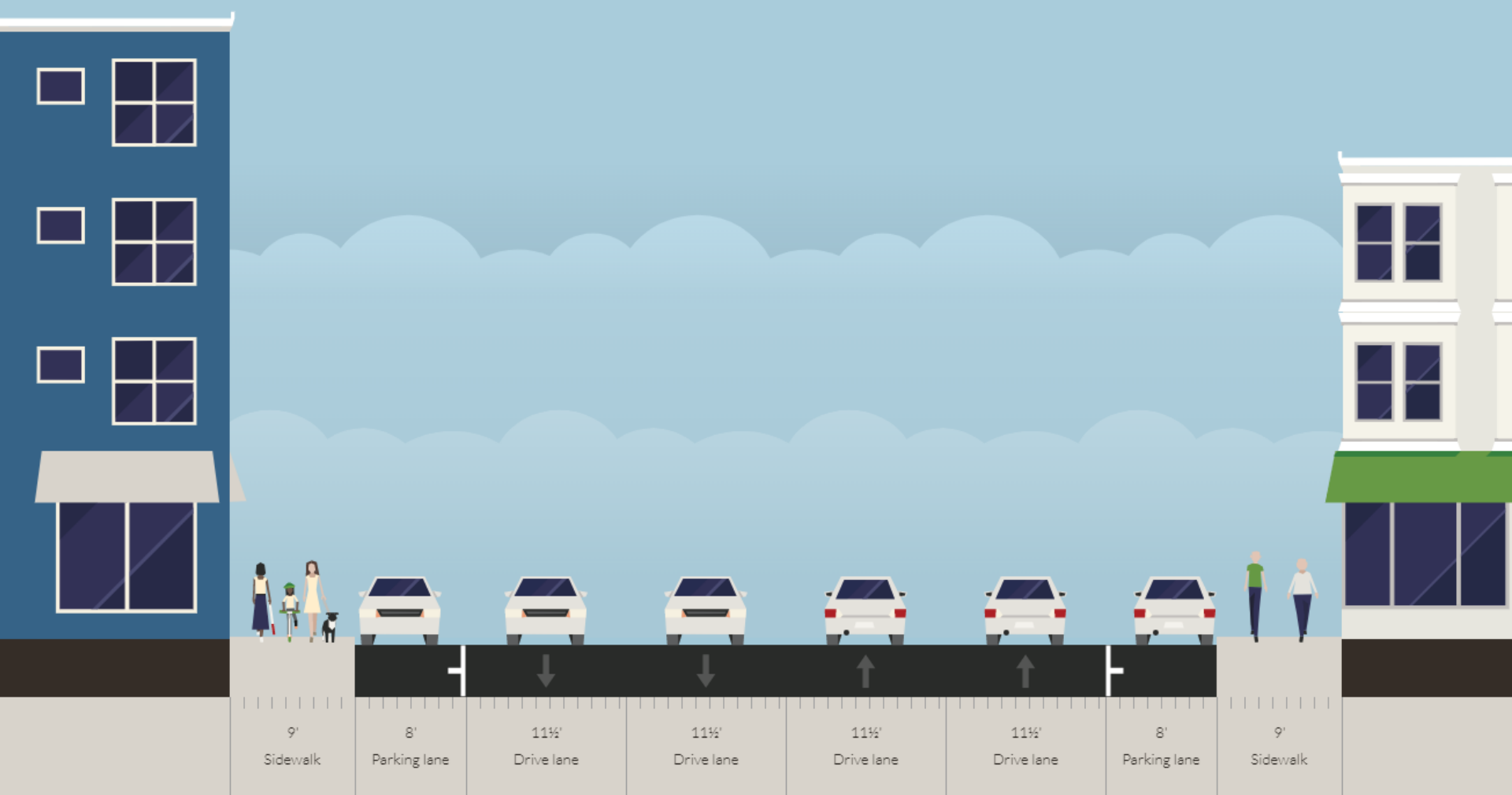
- Safety
- Traffic Calming
- Crossing Opportunities/Providing for Desire Lines
- Accessibility for People on Bikes
- Transit Improvements
- Aesthetics

PROJECT GOALS

Councilman Dorsey's office identified the following goals for the project:

- Reduce the number of travel lanes on Harford Road from four to either three or two
- Reduce pedestrian crossing distances
- Provide buffered, parking protected bike lanes
- Consider reverse angle parking to increase parking supply
- Remove curb extensions
- Provide “floating” bus stops in parking lanes

EXISTING CONDITIONS



Harford Road is about 62 feet wide between curbs, consisting of four travel lanes and two parallel parking lanes.

EXISTING CONDITIONS



EXISTING CONDITIONS: TRAFFIC VOLUMES

Traffic Counts Conducted in January

- **AM Peak Hour: ~700 southbound through vehicles per hour**
- **PM Peak Hour: ~600 northbound through vehicles per hour**

What does this mean?

- **A single through lane has a capacity of approximately 800 vehicles per hour when separate left-turn lanes are provided**

EXISTING CONDITIONS: PARKING

- **Metered parking provided on both sides of the road**
- **Highest demand exists around Hamilton Avenue, with demand tapering off as you go north and south**
- **Many driveways north of Evergreen limit on-street parking on the east side of the road**

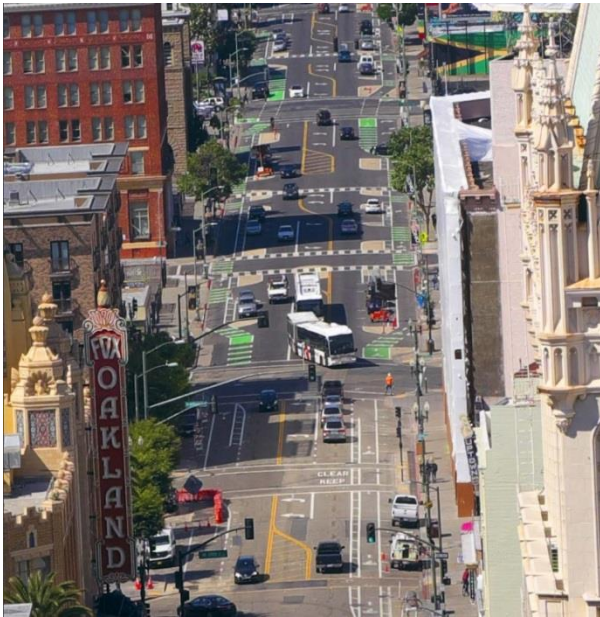
OUR TOOLKIT

**\$320,000 is not a lot of money for construction.
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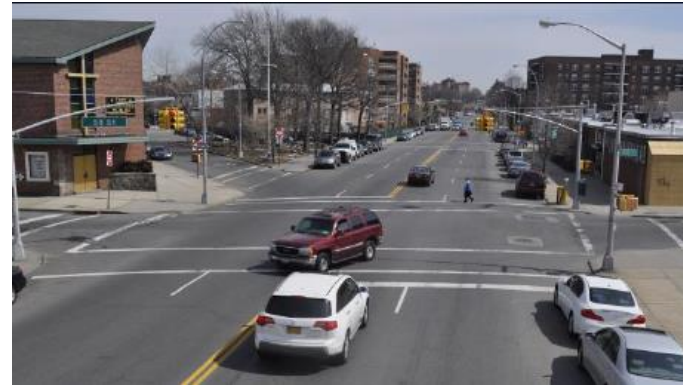


EXAMPLES

Examples of similar projects:



Telegraph Avenue, Oakland



Broadway, Queens

WE WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT

Community Input is Vital

What problems have you observed?

Where do you frequent and how do you get there?

What changes would you recommend?

NEXT STEPS

- The project team will use the feedback you've provided tonight to develop alternatives
- A second public workshop will be held in about 1 month
 - Wednesday, February 27
 - Open house format: drop by any time between 4:00 and 7:00 pm
 - Review and comment on alternatives
- Final plans will be developed in March and April
- Construction will take place in May and June